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GERMAN COMMANDER WAS ENTIRELY JUSTIFIED

SAYS HE HAD GOOD REASON FOR SINKING THE AMERICAN SHIP

INFERED THAT PRESIDENT WILSON HAS DECIDED THAT THE CRUISER MUST BE HELD PENDING INVESTIGATION

Newport News, March 12.—Captain Thierichsen of the Prinz Eitel Friedrich late yesterday afternoon formally announced to Collector of Customs Hamilton that it was not his intention to intern his vessel and that unless the United States refuses to grant him the necessary time for repairs and restrains him the converted cruiser would attempt to continue its voyage of adventure.

SAYS HE HAD CAUSE TO SINK AMERICAN SHIP

Captain Thierichsen today in a sworn statement sent to Washington declared that he was justified in sinking the American ship, William Frye, because she carried yellow maize, a conditional contraband, consigned to a belligerent port.

FEAR KARLSRUHE MET ITS FATE

Officers of the Eitel admitted today that they feared the cruiser Karlsruhe had been sunk in the West Indies. She has been unheard from in several months.

ALMOST CERTAIN TO BE INTERNED

Washington, March 12.—"There is no doubt whatsoever that the German cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich will be interned," said Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Peters, after a conference with President Wilson today. It is inferred that the president is determined that the raider shall not depart.

WANTS THREE WEEKS

Newport News, March 12.—The commander of the Prinz Eitel Friedrich asked permission this afternoon to keep the ship here three weeks necessary for repairs.

THE DREAM GIRL

(By W. L. Lamar)

The prettiest girl that I've met in this town,
From Fort King to Teuton's good store,
Is a girl with a will, a smile that does kill,
For she dishes them out by the score.

The first time I saw her, my heart stood stock still,
She turned me to stone with a glance,
And I said, "Holy smoke, to own such a queen,
I would take any kind of a chance."

She had sea-going eyes, with lashes so long,
And brown hair in generous waves,
With a bright coral reef of magnificent teeth
Plus complexion all womankind craves.

Her raiment was perfect, her carriage superb,
A magnificent manner had she,
And I said as I watched her "trip" down the long street,
That she was the girl for me.

She's smart, energetic and very well read,
Artistic, ambitious and bright,
But "lack" not a chance for this poor little "shrimp,"
For she has different dates every night.

Can you guess the name of this beautiful girl,
Who takes all the men by the heart—
Leads them a chase, and drops them before
They've even a chance to start?

Mr. Lamar offers a reward of one cigar to the gentleman guessing the name of the young lady this poetry inspired.

Dr. J. Walter Hood's new office telephone number is 284. 15-1f

A large shipment of Dennison's crepe paper in all colors just received at the Court Pharmacy. 17-6t

Just say "hock" at Johnny's. They'll know what you mean. 1f

VOLUNTEERS WERE VALIANT

BRITAIN'S NEW TROOPS SHOWED GREAT BRAVERY

Paris, March 12.—The Germans lost 5000 men when they were defeated at Neuve Chapelle by the British Wednesday. The British volunteers taking part in the engagement showed great bravery, occupying the town. The British repulsed three attacks last night.

The war office claims that the French are making noteworthy progress in the Champagne region.

British warships are shelling the coast in the vicinity of West End.

ALLIES SLOWLY PUSH ON

Paris, March 12.—Belgians have gained 500 yards each of Nieuport. The British are attacking in the La-Bassee region. The French are taking the offensive in the Champagne district.

CIVIC COMMITTEE DISTRIBUTING SEED

The Civic Committee of the Woman's Club is distributing one thousand packages of flower seed which were sent to Mrs. O. T. Green by Congressman Frank Clark for this purpose.

Each of these packages contains several packets of seed which will be distributed without charge to any child who wishes to enter the flower contest. The only conditions imposed are that the child shall pledge himself to cultivate and care for the plants and make reports to the committee. Prizes will be offered for the best garden and for the best display of cut flowers grown by the contestants.

Children desiring to supplement the seed distributed will be permitted to do so. The following suggestions for culture and management are offered by the committee:

Select your garden plot in an open space where there will be plenty of sunlight. You cannot grow flowers under trees. If possible select a place out of reach of chickens and animals. Prepare your beds by working well rotted manure, soil where leaves have rotted or trash has been burned into them. Spade it up well and remove trash and lumps. Plant your seed in shallow rows, cover lightly and press down each row with a board to "firm" the soil, then water well with light spray. Water your beds daily if you wish the best results, but spray them gently instead of drenching them.

When your plants have formed from four to eight leaves thin them out, lifting them carefully and transplanting as you wish to save. In transplanting it is better to work in the afternoons and always water well and shade the plants until they start to grow. A little water at the roots is better than on the surface when you are transplanting. Keep your beds free from weeds and work often. This will keep the soil from packing and will make your plants grow faster. Don't try to grow too many varieties. A few plants well taken care of will be more pleasure than many not well cared for.

Asters, zinnias, marigolds, pinks, sunflowers, ladi'sslippers, sweet alysum, candytuft, bachelor buttons, sweet William, salvias, snapdragons, fox gloves, larkspurs, ragged robins, cosmos, mignonette, ageratum, cannas, geraniums, morning glories, black-eyed Susans, nasturtiums, are easy to grow and can be made to give a world of pleasure to small gardeners. All these are suited to spring planting and come into flower early.

Mrs. Geo. J. Blitch, Chairman.

Easter cards, The Murray Company.

KING IN CONTROL

CONSTANTINE WILL TRY TO KEEP HIS COUNTRY OUT OF THE CONFLICT

Athens, March 12.—"Greece will maintain her neutrality," emphatically declared the new foreign minister today, in the first official utterance since the overthrow of the Venizelos cabinet. King Constantine is now in supreme control. He has ordered the authorities to prevent all war demonstrations.

DANGER OF THE DEEP

FULLY REALIZED BY GERMAN'S UNDER SEA FIGHTERS

The Hague, March 12.—A secret report has been sent from Cuxhaven to Berlin that twelve submarines failed to report at the base of operations, eight of this number being the newest of the German craft.

LENGTHENING THE CONTRABAND LIST

Soon be Nothing to Ship Safely on the High Seas

London, March 12.—Raw wool, wool tops, woolsens and worsted yarns have been declared contraband.

HONDURAS WILL BE HELD

Carries Arms and Ammunition for Carranza

Key West, March 12.—Government orders were received here today to hold the steamer Honduras, which put into this port for repairs. The Honduras carries a cargo of arms and ammunition for Carranza, the Mexican constitutional leader.

SUICIDE OF SIEVERS

Couldn't Survive the Destruction of His Corps

Berlin, March 12.—A News dispatch says that Baron Sievers, the Russian commander in the Mazurian Lake region, committed suicide when the Tenth Army Corps was destroyed by the Germans.

Try these delicious hot and cold drinks served at the Court Pharmacy. 17-6t

VEGETABLES, MILK AND EGGS

from our own farm daily. Open night and day, Merchant's Cafe. 1f

On Saturday and Monday, 17 pounds of sugar for \$1, with one dollar's worth of other groceries, for cash. Smith Grocery Co. Phone 434. 1f

Smoke Cuban Club, 5c Cigar.

Try one of those frosted pints of Babst's Blue Ribbon at Johnny's. 1f

HINDENBURG IS PRESSING THE RUSSIANS HEAVILY

PUSHING FORWARD WITH A QUARTER OF A MILLION OF MEN AGAINST PRZASNYSK

Petrograd, March 12.—It was officially admitted today that the Germans have made some gains in the great battle raging along the Narawa-Bobr front. It is asserted that this will have no effect on the result of the conflict.

HINDENBURG SWINGING HIS HAMMER

The Germans are making a terrific drive against Ostroleka and Poltusk. General Von Hindenburg with nearly a quarter of a million troops is pressing heavily against the Russians around Przasnysz. There is a lull in the fighting along the Pilica river, but hard fighting is in progress at Simno, west of the Niemen river.

TROUNCING THE TURKS

Further Russian successes against the Turks are reported from Tiflis.

MRS. JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER

A Good American Mother has Gone to Her Eternal Rest

New York, March 12.—Mrs. John D. Rockefeller died this morning.

Mrs. Rockefeller was seventy-five years old and had been ill for several months. Her death, which occurred at Pocantico Hills, was kept a secret for a short time. The effect of the news on stocks was feared because of the influence upon the health of her husband through grief. Mr. Rockefeller and John D. Rockefeller, Jr., are at Ormond, Fla.

MRS. McCURE ELECTED SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

At the meeting in Jacksonville this week of the State Board of Graduate Nurses, Mrs. Grove C. McCure of this city, a graduate of the nurses' training school at the Marion County Surgical Hospital, of the class of 1912, was elected to the office of second vice president.

IMPROVING A COTTAGE

Mr. J. D. McCaskill is remodeling a cottage on North First street for Mr. Lanier Robertson. The house is situated next door west from Mr. Robinson's home. It was first moved back further from the street and is now being made into a neat cottage.

Mr. Chalker, who has charge of the county jail speaks very highly of the good work of the new homemade soap, manufactured in Ocala. He says that at the jail, where hard water is used, impressing personal cleanliness on the prisoners has been a task, and he had reached the point where he had about decided to sandpaper some of his charges. However, he bought for them, the other day, some of the made-in-Ocala soap, and they found its use not only efficacious but a pleasure. The Star recommends all of its friends to be patriotic and give this soap a trial. Some of them need it.

At their meeting tonight, the Woodmen will hear the report of the members who attended the meeting of the head camp in Lakeland. A good attendance should be on hand.

Smoke Cuban Club, 5c Cigar.

Try one of those frosted pints of Babst's Blue Ribbon at Johnny's. 1f

St. Patrick cards at The Murray Company. 12-3t

BEATEN IN A BIG BATTLE

RUSSIANS IN SUWALKI ARE IN HURRIED RETREAT

Berlin, March 12.—The Germans again defeated the Russians north of Augustowo, and the enemy is retreating hurriedly to escape disaster. The Germans captured 4000 men with a large quantity of ammunition. Over 300 prisoners were taken in the region around Przasnysz.

It is admitted that the British have captured the town of Neuve Chapelle. The Germans have repulsed the warships bombarding West End.

MURDER OF M'MANUS

ANOTHER AMERICAN THE VICTIM OF MEXICAN ASSASSINS

Washington, March 12.—John McManus of Chicago, an American citizen, was killed by Zapatistas when they entered Mexico City. The United States will demand the punishment of the assassins. McManus is accused of firing on Zapata's soldiers.

SITUATION IMPROVED IN MEXICO CITY

Washington, March 12.—A government message states that Gen. Obregon's forces evacuated Mexico City Wednesday night and that the city is now quiet.

Mr. Charles Goddard has returned from Palatka, where he attended the K. of P. Grand Lodge, which he says was one of the greatest fraternal events he ever saw. Supreme Chancellor Young and Past Supreme Chancellor Carlton were both present. There was a large attendance, and Palatka fairly overflowed with hospitality. Mr. Goddard was in attendance of the K. of P. work, to which all Wednesday afternoon and evening was devoted. The parade was one of the greatest ever seen in the state, with a long procession, two brass bands and ten captives led in chains. Grand Outer Guard Guber of this city was one of the victims. Mr. Goddard would have remained until today, but mused up his clothes in trying to hold the camel, to keep him from biting Guber, and had to come home.

Globe-Wernicke cabinets and safes at The Murray Company. 12-3t

Fort King Camp W. O. W. was signally honored at the Lakeland Head Camp convention which adjourned yesterday afternoon. Mr. C. K. Sage was elected head banker for two years, Mr. P. V. Leavengood was made chairman of the press committee, and Mr. J. W. Lamar was kept busy with committee work nearly all during the session.

The members of the Athletic Club are looking forward to a live game of basketball at their hall this afternoon, and will be glad to have their friends present.

Easter cards, The Murray Company.

SHELLING ANCIENT CITY OF SMYRNA

ALLIES STEADILY PRESSING OPERATIONS IN THE EAST

KAISER'S UNDERSEA BOATS AND UPPER AIR SHIPS NOT IMMUNE TO CALAMITY--ANOTHER FORT KNOCKED OUT

London, March 12.—British demands for the surrender of Smyrna have been rejected and warships have begun a heavy bombardment of the city. The inhabitants of Smyrna are in panic.

SUBMARINE SUNK

The sinking of another submarine was reported today to the admiralty by officers of a trawler off North Shields. The submarine was fouled by the trawlers' ropes, and turned turtle sinking immediately. All the crew was lost.

AIRSHIP CAME TO GRIEF

It is reported that another German military airship was wrecked in Belgium last night, falling into the forest near Ghent.

ANOTHER FORT KNOCKED OUT

Operations of the allies' warships in the Dardanelles continues. It is reported that fort Chanak-Kaleri, one of the strongest guarding the narrows has been badly damaged.

One of Ocala's appreciated conveniences is the kindness of the various hotel managements in sending mail to the trains every night. While this is done for the benefit of the guests of the hotels, it is a courtesy also extended to the general public, and many a rush letter is in consequence received half a day sooner at its destination. It is different in other places. For instance, a letter mailed by an Ocala delegate to the Woodman-Head Camp at a Lakeland hotel Wednesday night didn't arrive in Ocala until he did Thursday night.

Mr. Albert Gerig, who has been in Johns Hopkins hospital, Baltimore, for the past several weeks, where he underwent an operation on his throat, left there today for Palatka, where he will spend a few days with Mrs. Gerig before coming home. Mr. Gerig is much improved and is gaining in strength and weight.

The Marion Hardware Co. expects to give a big demonstration of "Wear-Ever" aluminum ware at its store April 5. Mrs. Cornell, an accomplished lady demonstrator from the factory at Baltimore, will be in charge, and it will be a most interesting occasion.

Grand Master M. M. Little made an official visit to the Hawthorn lodge I. O. O. F. last night. Mr. W. C. Blanchard accompanied him and assisted with degree work during the evening. They returned on the early morning Seaboard. The grand master reports Hawthorn lodge in good shape and steadily on the increase.

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POOR PEOPLE ARE PERISHING

BUDAPEST'S HUNGRY THOUSANDS CLAMOR FOR BREAD

Venice, March 12.—Serious bread riots are reported from Budapest. The situation in Vienna is threatening.

GADSON ADDING TO HIS STORE

Frank Gadson, while in New York City last week, bought so many spring goods for the Bazaar Store that he did not know what to do with them or how to get them inside of his new store, so in figuring over the matter, George Giles, the owner of the St. George block, decided to make an addition to the rear of the two stores in the center of the block that Gadson is occupying. This is now being done and the addition of solid brick, which, however, will only be one story high, is being made, which will give the Bazaar Store an added space of 15 by 35 feet in which to open and mark goods and to carry the heavier character of stock and reserve supplies. The Bazaar will make its announcement of spring goods and Easter opening in a very few days.

BLITCHTON

Blitchton, March 11.—Mrs. B. R. Blitch, Miss Emma Eklof and Mr. Fenton Blitch spent Saturday in Ocala.

Mr. B. C. Blitch visited Morriston Saturday.

Dr. Blitch is spending some time in South Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Osborn and children of Ocala were guests of Dr. and Mrs. S. H. Blitch Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis of Irvine, Mrs. J. Melver and Miss Mamie Fant of Ocala, Mr. and Mrs. Niel and Mrs. V. Potts of Fellowship were Sunday visitors.

The services at the Baptist church Sunday were largely attended. The solo by Miss Burtis and the trio by Miss Burtis, Mr. L. Blitch and Mr. Blanchard Law were greatly enjoyed.

Miss Melvine Burtis of Tampa, who has been the attractive guest of Miss Legie Blitch, left Monday for Ocala, to visit her aunt, Mrs. E. M. Osborn. Mr. B. C. Blitch spent Tuesday in Ocala.

Miss Eleanor Seckinger of Berla is the guest of her cousin, Miss Rosemary Hammons.

Mrs. A. J. McKay and children and Mr. B. C. Blitch of Morriston were Wednesday visitors.

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